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ALGIERS AND GENEVA FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY

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TAGS: PFOR, UNSC, IS, LE, XF

SUBJ: POSTMORTEM ON LEBANESE SECURITY COUNCIL COMPLAINT

REF: USUN 1523

1. WE SHOULD NOT PUT MUCH STOCK IN NEW YORK TIMES CORRESPONDENT'S REPORT OF AMBASSADOR TEKOAH'S ATTITUDE AS REVEALING ISRAELI VIEWS ON RECENTLY CONCLUDED SECURITY COUNCIL EXERCISE. ISRAELIS ARE HURT, BEWILDERED, AND HOPPING MAD OVER FACT WE DID NOT VETO OR AT LEAST ABSTAIN ON VOTE IN VIEW OF FACT KIRYAT SHMONA ATROCITY NOT SPECIFICALLY CONDEMNED BY RESOLUTION. WE ARE DOING OUR BEST TO CALM THE ISRAELIS, BUT THERE ARE STILL A LOT OF PIECES TO BE PICKED UP HERE. WE SINCERELY HOPE THAT BY TIME OF SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL, PASSIONS WILL HAVE CALMED.

2. MOST RECENT EXAMPLE OF KIND OF REACTION HERE IS PRESS REPORT  
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TODAY CAPTIONED "EBAN HITS US VOTE IN SECURITY COUNCIL."

IN THE ARTICLE, EBAN IS REPORTED AS HAVING TOLD THE CABINET  
YESTERDAY QUOTE AMERICAN SUPPORT OF THE UNSC VOTE  
CONDEMNING ISRAEL BY NO MEANS REFLECTS THE ENTIRE RANGE OF  
US-ISRAEL RELATIONS. BUT THERE WAS NO DOUBT ITS MORAL AND  
POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS WERE GRAVE. EBAN SAID THAT IN THE PAST  
THE US HAD VOTED IN THE COUNCIL AGAINST RESOLUTIONS WHICH  
WERE FAR LESS HARMFUL TO ISRAEL. HE SAID THE US DELEGATE  
SUPPORTED THE RESOLUTION ALTHOUGH IT HAD DRAWN CRITICISM FROM  
WORLD OPINION AND ALTHOUGH THE OTHER SPONSORING STATES HAD  
DISASSOCIATED THEMSELVES FROM IT. UNQUOTE. THERE IS  
SUGGESTION IN ARTICLE THAT EBAN ATTEMPTED PUT US VOTE INTO  
SOME SORT OF PERSPECTIVE RE TOTAL MID EAST SITUATION AND US  
ROLE. MAIN THRUST OF OTHER COMMENTARIES, HOWEVER, HAS BEEN  
COMPLETELY FOCUSED ON THE NEGATIVE.

3. THIS IS NOT INTENDED AS A CRITICISM OF OUR VOTE. WE DID  
WHAT WE HAD TO DO. BUT THE REACTION HERE IS SO TOTALLY UNLIKE  
THE SUGGESTION IN PARA 2 OF REFTTEL THAT I BELIEVED IT NECESSARY TO  
GO ON RECORD.

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